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AND LARGE PROFITS

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SEVEN SCHOOLS IN UPPER GLADES HAD 555 PUPILS; PROPERTY \$65,051, TEACHERS' SALARIES WERE \$26,880

Facts About School Facilities In Palm Beach County Section of Muck Region Refute Careless Statements In East Coast Dailies

Seven schools in the upper Everglades section of Palm Beach county had an enrollment of 555 pupils in the year 1925. The salaries of the teachers amounted to \$26,880 and the value of the real estate buildings and equipment is estimated as \$65,051.74. These figures and other information is furnished The Everglades News by Joe A. Youngblood, county superintendent, in response to the paper's request.

A few weeks ago Miss Watson reprinted an article that described the origin and conduct of a school in Dade county and referred to it as "the only school in the Everglades." The article was reprinted in a daily newspaper in West Palm Beach without correction.

The information about schools in the upper Everglades division of Palm Beach county was sought from Mr. Youngblood in partial refutation of the statement that 4,000,000 acres of the Everglades, situated in parts of twelve counties, there is only one school!

Two of the seven schools in Palm Beach county's portion of the upper Everglades are high schools. In addition to the seven schools of which enrollment is included in the above figures, the eighth school will open next month. Besides this there is a school at Ixahatchee, a settlement which although it is not in the muck region is in Everglades drainage district.

Two schools are maintained for negroes.

There are still other schools in the Everglades besides the school in the Dade county section. There are two schools in the northern everglades county section of the Everglades, and Okachita has high schools.

Facts and Figures

Superintendent Youngblood's detailed statement on upper Everglades schools in Palm Beach county follows:

No. 1, Canal Point—Built during 1921, actual site given by Simon & Watkins. For the use and benefit of the school an additional tract of nearly 100 acres was given by Southern Sugar Company. The school building is several miles east of site of school. Ten acres adjoining the school site was set aside by the Florida Sugar & Food Products Company for the use of the school. School is now operated as a Simon & Watkins project under the direction of H. L. Speer, graduate of the University of Florida, with special training for the Smith-Hughes work. Two rooms are being added for use beginning September 1926. School will begin September 1926. This will be eight months. The enrollment for the year ending April 22, 1926, was 164. Thirty-three of these were high school pupils. The teacher's salaries will amount to at least \$10,960 for the year of 1926-1927. The term is eleven months. As the enrollment warrants it may be increased to nine months for the high school. The total value of the building and lots is estimated at \$40,022.57. The value of the furniture and apparatus is \$1,299.02.

No. 2, South New River Canal—There are now three rooms. It now offers through the second year of high school, and provides accommodations for high school pupils from Fort Lauderdale to Belle Glade, Chosen, and South Bay. There are three teachers last year. There will be at least that many this year. The total enrollment was 78, 43 of those being high school pupils. The term of school is eight months. The teacher's salaries will approximate \$3,000. The total value of real property and equipment, \$2,825.15.

No. 3, Paohokee—The school at Paohokee offers instruction through the eighth grade; the high school pupils going to Canal Point by school bus. New school building on the land immediately north of the principal street in Paohokee has been acquired at a cost of \$30,000. A new building will be erected next year at a cost of \$30,000 or \$40,000. There are six teachers at Paohokee. The teacher's salaries will amount to \$7,940. The enrollment last year was 123. The total value of real property and equipment is \$10,765.

No. 4, Chosen—At present a one-room school is maintained at Chosen. One teacher is employed. Next year the teacher's salary will be about \$1,060. The total value of the real property and equipment is estimated at \$2,690.

No. 5, Belle Glade—A two-room school is now in operation through the eighth grade at Belle Glade. A new school containing ten acres, has recently been acquired and on this consolidation school will be erected as soon as the hard-surfaced cross-state highway is built at Canal Point.

P.C.P. TEAM WON.

The Paohokee-Canal Point team won Sunday from the Sherman team at Sherman by a score of 4 to 2. The winning runs were made in the tenth inning. It was the best game the local team has played this season.

A baseball team will be made on the sand bar of Port Mayaca, consisting, vegetation growing too fast in the mud field at Canal Point.

SCHOOL BOND ELECTION

All persons eligible to vote are reminded that an election will be held in Paohokee next Tuesday, the 17th, on a proposition to issue bonds for school improvements. There will be only two polling places—Paohokee, West Palm Beach and one in Paohokee.

A special school tax district election. Most of the money that is to be voted is for schools in West Palm Beach but about \$35,000 of it is for a building on the Paohokee property which was bought a few months ago.

To vote in this school bond election one must have all of the qualifications required for a primary election or a general election and must also be a freeholder, that is, an owner of real estate or have a leasehold interest in one on which he has paid taxes.

The school district includes the Canal Point territory.

KILCORE SEED HOUSE

Contract for a building 50x50 feet was signed last week by Contractor James Maxwell by H. M. Kilcure, president of the Kilcure Seed Company, of the "red top" packing house which collapsed during the hurricane. The building was located on the ridge on the east side of Paohokee road. The foundation is being put in now and the structure will be erected as soon as the material arrives. It is planned that a 50x50-foot addition be built later in the season.

No. 7, Bare Beach.—The school at Bare Beach accommodates the children at Ritta as well as those of Bare Beach. There was one teacher last year, 24 pupils. The salary for next year is \$1,000. The total value of the property is estimated at \$2,875.

No. 8, Torry Island.—The school at Torry Island will reopen in September, 1926. The people of this community have no way plans for the enlargement of the school site or the purchase of additional land, adjoining the present school property. Mr. Ed King has served as supervisor of this school for a number of years and is responsible for the plan to secure the additional land. The purpose of the Torry Island people is to improve the property on which the school is located and to maintain it as a school center.

TO HELP DRAINAGE AND NAVIGATION

Part of Plan For Cross-State Route Between Gulf and Ocean

FORT MYERS, Aug. 7.—Declining that he cast his first vote in favor of Everglades reclamation and followed up his fight for drainage and harbor development as attorney general and senator of Florida and later as United States senator, Paul Trammell speaking before a large delegation of the Gulf-Okeechobee and Atlantic Waterways Association gathered here last night, pledged his support in the battle against waterway pointing to its great benefit to the state through its drainagization.

The senator pointed out that he always has been sympathetic with Everglades improvements and said that he favors the cross-state project as it is in addition to the drainage chain.

E. R. Graham, manager of the Pennsylvania Sugar Company's plantation on Miami canal in Dade county, also wants the south end of Everglades drainage district let in the census this year.

"I noticed your letter last week about lawn mowers. You probably have forgotten that we have close to 10,000 people living in the Everglades in this locality and a lot of them have got up their own mower stage."

"I am not going to send you my bill if I did you would have to send me the paper for the rest of my natural life, but we do want to remember that we are part of the Glades. In fact, I think you should come down occasionally to get acquainted with the whole project."

The Everglades News offer was made to residents of the Lake Okeechobee region, "the professionals" at Glades, Belle Glade, Harbor, Clewiston and Moore Haven, that they could buy a team of horses. Mr. Graham recalled that, and concluded that too much territory had better not be taken in, for he adds: "You must have heard the story about the fellow that went into a saloon and said, 'I want to buy a team and live in the house.' No one took him up. He began taking in the whole town, then the county, the state and finally took in the United States. Just about that time someone crowned him. When he came to, his first remark was that he had taken in too much territory."

The meeting, attended by delegations from Stuart, Okeechobee, Moore Haven, and Clewiston, and Mrs. Bellabe, president of the association.

The afternoon session was held at the Lee County courthouse at 4 o'clock, followed by a banquet at the Elks club at 7 o'clock which was attended by 100 delegates and local citizens interested in the waterways project.

The plans of the waterway to extend from Stuart on the east coast, through St. Lucie, inland and canal to Lake Okeechobee and down the Caloosahatchee river to Fort Myers, were outlined and the gulf were briefly outlined.

Plans for the proposed head of 16-foot channel from Fort Myers to Punta Gorda were briefly outlined.

The government plans to dredge the river from Punta Gorda to the gulf, the work being done by the Caloosahatchee improvement district in deepening, widening and straightening the river from Fort Myers to Fort Thompson, and will be linked up as a waterway to the gulf.

Conflicting interests is the explanation why everyone cannot have the opening or the closing of dams to suit his own case.

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LAKE COULD GO TO 15-FOOT LEVEL BY U. S. REGULATIONS

Chief Drainage Engineer Tells of War Department Agreement

WHY SALE IS MADE TO 17-FOOT LEVEL

Mr. Hunter Gets Replies To Questions Asked by L. N. Simon

By THOMAS HUNTER,

TALLAHASSEE, Aug. 6.—After

transferring the buyers of the lake bottom lots at Paohokee to the state, the

land will be turned over to the state

for the use of the department of agriculture.

Within a few days, when it is expected that a number of these affidavits will have been filed, the land will be turned over to the state for the use of the department of agriculture in its

legal description of the lots and then passed around to the five trustees of the internal improvement fund for each of their signatures.

Mr. F. E. Hart, director of the department of agriculture, is in his

office with all possible dispatch.

I have read well the important letter of Mr. L. N. Simon which appeared in The Everglades News of yesterday. I noted down the direct questions he asked and, while the opportunity is yet within reach, I am seeking the answers.

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Farm Talk

Howard Sharp

AND NOW IT'S BULBS

T. A. Brown of DeLand, farm demonstration agent of Volusia county, has returned home after a two weeks stay on the east coast and in the Everglades, where he inspected plantings of gladioli and other bulbs and gave out information to all persons who showed interest. There is said to be a national shortage of more than 50,000,000 narcissus bulbs due to an embargo placed on importations, and now we are developing a bulb industry in Florida is being led by the Florida State Bulb Growers Association, of which A. C. Haynes of DeLand is president. As Mr. Brown is the county agent in this county, he used his two weeks' vacation to see what was being done in the bulb line at that point.

May be I got Mr. Brown wrong when I visited Canal Point and called at this office. He is a speaker for the trap-trap market for the bulbs grown in his county—trying to get people to go into the business so they would buy the DeLand county product. It's my observation that as a rule if a man has a good market for a good product he doesn't try to make good profits. It's like a bunch of the poultry business; there is money in selling a setting of eggs for \$12 but there may not be any money in selling eating eggs at 60 cents a dozen. It was the same way with bananas. There was no market east money in selling banana bulbs, but there isn't so much in selling the fruit grown from the plants from the bulbs the other man sold. Also there are grapes and blueberries. Some of them have been raised and selling them to make up that fifty million national shortage may be quite another matter. I just didn't get Mr. Brown's game and I don't get it yet, nor the idea of the Florida State Bulb Growers Association.

M. Brown is a fine man, evidently; he seems to have made quite a hit with the newspaper people, for I find columns and columns of articles in the Everglades News excusing and quoting him. He is a good man, and seemed me some of it was laid on rather thick.

The most interesting article is the one that was sent out from DeLand after Mr. Brown's return, to his office in that city. He tells about his visit to Hastings, Palatka, St. Johns, Inlet, Cocoa, Vero Beach, Pier, Stuart, Palm Beach, Fort Lauderdale, Miami, Belle Glade, Pahokee and Canal Point, and adds:

"I found the general interest in bulb growing very great and the agents anxious to have the farmers in their county to have a part of this industry," said Mr. Brown. "Wherever I found planting the last year, results have been excellent. The initial cost of something that has been a failure in quite a few cases however, and the increase in storage is not what had been expected. This is especially true when it is taken into consideration the real opportunity that is offered just at this time in this line of production. The lack of practical knowledge, however, will make the new market much better for those who have a good crop this year."

"Outstanding among the places where the industry has gotten well under way is Vero Beach. Here the first harvest was two years ago in some cleared palmetto hammock lands. The gladioli were most healthy. The bulbs were healthy and should produce two blooms each. They should be good for winter blooming in home gardens."

"The best specimen Easter lilies were at Belle Glade in the Everglades muck land. Here some lilies were five inches in diameter. Volusia county has the largest commercial plantings."

With all of the opportunities there are for money-making in test lines, I have an aversion for innovations. There is too much scattering of effort by scatter-brained people. A school girl or a housewife can make a small fortune growing local plants anywhere. The lake of Lake Okeechobee, and a royal palm is something that cannot be grown at many other places. Nature has imposed limitations on its production. Roses can be grown in the custard apple and lime fields, a market for which is on the east coast during the tourist season. Production is easy in both cases; it's the selling end that's hard, and when the selling problem hasn't been solved for beans and tomatoes and royal palms and potato chips, it's hard to be optimistic for bananas and narcissus bulbs. If with the big shortage of bulbs in the United States, the Volusia county growers haven't a market, why should bean growers and tomato growers abandon a business they know to be in full bulk production and add to the competition?"

This question is asked in good faith, and the subject is discussed at this length because the whole matter is vital in the consideration of the future of the Everglades lands. The Everglades News will be glad to receive and print letters from persons who can show us we are wrong in the attitude here presented.

The Everglades News was damaged to its core last week because it failed—indeed, because it refused to be rushed off its feet and into a hysterical advocacy of everybody going into the banana business. The conditions for producing bananas in Florida—for instance, the selling land—are as good now as they ever were, but the banana boom is over. We are to start a campaign for producing bulbs, the bananas experience

suggests better preparations be made for it.

Soil and climate and market conditions are not enough to bring profit to persons who enter the business in which they have no training.

Florida, and the Everglades in particular, has superior climate and soils that are superior for many growths, but what Florida lacks is drainage and roads and capital and workers trained in the businesses they are urged to go into.

Assuming for the present purpose that there is a rare opportunity in a national shortage of narcissus bulbs, it must also be granted there is a dearth of persons in Florida experienced in growing them. To persons that a person, without training, can make money producing bulbs is to make a representation we don't accept, and we don't care who makes it, for we profess to know something about human nature.

There are experienced bulb growers in the United States. If the Florida conditions for bulb production are superior, the practical thing to do is to present the opportunity to those persons who are better assured of success because of their training in the business and their acquaintance with

Hens and Corn

Bringing hens into the Everglades seems like "carrying coals to New Castle"; for poultry is the best established all round business there is in Everglades, and A. Heyne is doing it and on a plan that is practical. He has a large flock of cornish hens that was made in the early summer and instead of selling the corn he will feed it to the hens as mid-western farmers feed corn to flocks to fatten them for resale.

C. E. Schwartz has bought 150 hens from John Cagle in West Palm Beach and is bringing them out and delivering them to Mr. Heyne, who lives east of Pahokee. Mr. Cagle ships hens from Tennessee in car load lots. The birds for Mr. Heyne are selected from a lot; they weigh about 3/5 pounds and cost a bit more than one dollar each.

It is figured the hens will lay enough eggs to make their purchase and care profitable and the hens will gain in weight from the corn that they can be sold for more than they cost. By this method a better price will be obtained for the corn than if the corn was sold outright by the bushel.

NEW - TYPE PUMP FOR SMALL FARMS

Handles Water on Five Acres With One and Half H. P. Engine

A pump that will control the water of a five-acre tract and requires no more power than is furnished by a one and one-half horsepower engine has been developed by R. E. Moore, manager of the Pennsylvania Sugar Company's plantation on Miami canal. It is intended to provide auxiliary water control in sub drainage districts. The new-type pump can move large amounts and is in action and pumping will begin to be in use as soon as Mr. Graham returns from a three-weeks vacation that is to be spent at his old home in Michigan. The pump is so constructed that if the user wants to power a Fordson tractor or other tractor can be utilized in the same set-up.

Four years of study of soil, and water conditions in the Everglades led Mr. Graham to the conclusion a year ago that even in flat lands, the lands could probably have a pumping plant the facilities of the sub-district not being sufficient, in his judgment, to provide the control of water essential for successful farming operations. Cost of the power of the tractor and the expense of operation is an item that keeps many farmers from making installation of auxiliary plants, it appears.

In a letter in which he mentions the new pump he says: "We are more pleased with the results that we have gotten."

When Mr. Graham, several months ago, in the editor of the Everglades News of his desire to get a new-type pump, he said he hoped to be able to work out a plan by which the pump could be sold on easy terms.

DO YOU WANT A TENANT?

In order to help the efficient agricultural settlers of Canal Point and Pahokee, we will be glad to receive and file in the County Agent's office information regarding farmland for lease.

In writing give description, condition, (whether cultivated or raw land), buildings, etc., also terms of lease.

S. W. HIATT,
County Agent.

As I shouldn't expect all of the Smiths to come to town because it failed—indeed, because it refused to be rushed off its feet and into a hysterical advocacy of everybody going into the banana business. The conditions for producing bananas in Florida—for instance, the selling land—are as good now as they ever were, but the banana boom is over. We are to start a campaign for producing bulbs, the bananas experience

DRAINAGE DISTRICT FURNISHES ROCK AND COUNTY BUILDS FARM ROADS

On the status of work in Southern drainage district, located in east central Florida.

"We have entered into an agreement with Dade county to furnish them rock free, from the canal banks, to carry out a fine road development program throughout our district. This means a road on every section line east of the road between ranges 38 and 39 east. There will be a boulevard on the range line from the Tamiami Trail to Florida City."

In addition to the above roads, all main line roads throughout the drainage district east of the range line will be extended to the range line as above mentioned, also a boulevard connecting the Trail with the Ingram Highway along the bank of the eastern division of the Snapper Creek canal.

"With rock selling for \$250 per yard, you can readily see that the taxpayers will be in imminent saving to the taxpayers, outside of our regular drainage work."

"We have conserved this rock for years, it was excavated for very purposes we have had good roads and as essential to the development of our district as drainage is."

"We have approximately a million yards of fine road rock lying out in our district which we expect the state and county will have converted into good roads within the year."

"With the canal works proceeding day and night and with this fine road program under way the future of our district is assured."

"At the June election, I was re-elected supervisor and treasurer for my fourth term by the largest vote I had ever received."

"I noted with pleasure that you were elected county commissioner and extended to you my best wishes and congratulations. I hope you know the needs of your district and will give the people an honest, comprehensive administration of their affairs; this is about all one can do at best."

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"Yours truly,

JOF CONRAD.

Editor, The Everglades News.

Dear Sir: I fully concur in your conclusions drawn in your leading article in your issue of July 23, "Stop-work on Drainage Districts—Not Necessary—Not Necessary—Self-Dredge."

"Everglades lands of practically no value are now selling at from \$100 to \$1,000 per acre, as shown by the reports of sales by the trustees of the L. & P. Fund."

"The extension of the Everglades district to tidewater in the Atlantic ocean as now contemplated will go far to reclaim the present Everglades district, while the extension of the drainage districts including the Rhinebeck River watershed as suggested in my letter of July 23 will afford ample security for an additional bond issue to complete the necessary state drainage canals to reclaim the entire area, particularly if the trustees will, as soon as possible, take over the drainage contract system and own and operate their own equipment, as recommended by the Randolph report, a system inaugurated by Governor Broward and as shown by the records of the trustees, being adopted in 1919."

"This was changed to the "contract system" under the administration of J. O. Wright, as chief engineer, which has practically doubled the cost of excavation and has not cut the canals to grade through the rock underlying the grade, while, under the Broward administration, the canals were cut to grade, including the rock as the dredges advanced; leaving a completed canal behind the dredges. The contractor skinned off the muck with a bulldozer and provided a drainage system and provided practically no drainage in the Miami canal; simply a succession of pools separated by transverse rock reefs, at a cost far in excess of cost when the trustees owned their equipment and employed their own crews and directed the work by their own engineers and supervisors."

"Yours truly,

E. ROSE.

Jacksonville, Aug. 5, 1926.

Geneseeer Mr. Conrad, representative of the Everglades drainage district, Mr. J. H. Strunk, and myself came to Canal Point last week. Mr. Strunk suggested that we pay you a call as he had known you for several years. He also brought to mind that our subscription for The Everglades News had lapsed. We were induced to call and renew the subscription, but did not get to Canal Point until after your office had closed.

The writer always enjoys your paper very much, and makes it a point to read it and to keep up with developments going on in the Everglades.

Kindly advise us when our subscription runs out and render us a bill for the next year and oblige.

Yours truly,

Fairbanks, Morse & Co.

J. F. Ahern, Manager.

Miami, Fla., Aug. 2, 1926.

Dear Friend Sharp: I enclose you \$250 for renewal to your good paper. As I read my weekly copy I feel as though I renew the acquaintance of old friends around the lake country and the honest intimacy with which you write of the doings of those I do not know personally, makes me feel as though I had known them all my life. As you know, I like folks and have been very fortunate in having a lot of folks like me in recent years; you can readily see that I am reading every copy. I know

that you are an experienced news-writer.

DRAINED MUCK FARM LAND

FOR RENT FOR SEASON 1926-27

The Clewiston Company, Inc., has a limited acreage at Clewiston for lease to experienced farmer

It is fine muck, most of it previously cropped and it is all drained land.

INQUIRE OF FARM LEASE DEPARTMENT

CLEWISTON CO., INC.

CLEWISTON, FLORIDA

We are opening

SEED STORE

with a complete line of standard seeds especially adapted to the Everglades

Buying in car lots direct from the grower will be able to make most attractive prices much lower than last year.

Call on us or write and a representative will call.

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SEEDS

Fresh Stock Pepper and Egg Plant

SEE MR. MURPHY OR MR. MERRIER NEAR OUR OLD STAND

We have had the misfortune of losing not only our entire stock of seeds and supplies, but our building as well, but this inconvenience is only temporary, as we are rapidly making arrangements to serve our customers with the least possible inconvenience until we can get another complete stock on East Beach between Canal Point and Pahokee:

We will probably put up a new building adequate for our growing business, and while these plans are taking form, would suggest that our customers send their orders direct to Plant City, or see our representative on East Beach between Canal Point and Pahokee, who will see that all orders will have prompt handling and quick delivery out of Plant City.

We have on hand at East Beach, fresh stocks of Pepper and Egg Plant seed ready for immediate delivery.

KILGORE SEED COMPANY

BETWEEN

CANAL POINT and PAHOKEE

PAHOKEE

R. J. Schoder is now in charge of the Kershaw Contracting Company's nursery.

Chairman gave up his market in W. J. Larimore's Canal Point store and will farm this fall.

O. H. McClure and Ernest Lindrose were among the several Paohokee people who visited the county seat this week.

W. H. Cahoon, of the Kershaw Company office, will leave this week on a two-weeks vacation to be spent in Birmingham.

Professor J. R. York has returned from North Carolina, where he was called by news of the death of a relative.

V. L. Murphy of Plant City, road man for the Kilgore company, is acting as manager temporarily. A permanent resident manager has not yet been selected to succeed C. C. Smith.

Heads of families who have been running a ditching machine for Bryan & Holloway, is staying at home while the machine is laid off. The machine was running in Palm Beach drainage and highway district. The funds appropriated for the work have not been exhausted and moreover the water is too high for the machine to move around.

Simonson Pines For Cool of the Glades

Litchfield, Ill., July 29, 1926.

My dear Mr. Sharp:

Well, I sure miss the cool breezes off Lake Okeechobee these hot days and nights. It is the health of all that we left your pleasant country and climate about the middle of June, driving up through Georgia to northeast of Chattanooga, Tenn., where we made a short but very pleasant layover of an afternoon and night before we started.

We passed through thousands of acres of peach trees in Georgia that were just beginning to ripen their fruit; also many large areas of peaches in Tennessee.

Then across the mountains in Tennessee to Nashville, a great road most of the way and very pretty country but also very mountainous for a ton truck with a house it. We got home to Litchfield in good shape, with but one puncture and two flat tires. After riding in Litchfield and visiting some two weeks we went to Pleasant Plains, Ill., where a brother-in-law took our house car and made a trip to Niagara Falls and was gone three weeks. Three tires on this truck have been lost off and have had at least 5000 miles of wear and will soon begin the return trip to Paohokee.

Expect to be with you by September 1.

The farmers here are very busy threshing wheat, corn, oats, etc., to get them culivated. This country is pretty well laid out with roads and I hope some day to see the Paohokee district as good or better. Our country here is just as level as the Glades, and there are good graded roads in every direction except north, making a good road around each section. Many concrete roads are being built.

I brought a baby weed along home with me; it was only about eight inches through but caused quite a bit of consternation to all. I aimed to plant a foot or 18 inches through but it was raining when I left Paohokee and I couldn't get out after a large one. This is quite a farming country, each farmer having from 20 to 60 acres of wheat, 20 to 30 acres of oats, etc., they raise many cats, dogs and sheep.

Hoping this finds all of you well, respectfully,

R. J. Simonson.

AS AT PALMDALE

WASHINGTON, July 30.—The board of tax appeals held that money invested in oil leases in "wild cat" territory which became worthless during the taxable year as the result of the sinking of dry wells, is deductible as losses from gross income.

SPONNER GROCER

Frank B. Spunner, grocery stock has been moved to a room in the Wilder building between the bank and the drug store. The stock was moved down from a building that was blown down, during the storm.

UNAFRAID!

"The courage of so many folks," said a Laredo man, "is confined to taking arms against the world, and against themselves in armfuls; they don't have a murderer around the house. They also are ungratefully opposed to incendiarism, burglary, smuggling, shanghaiing, and bootlegging among the Chinese. They talk about determining states against piracy, graft, crassitatem and moral turpitude, with especial reference to the other fellow and nothing can move them from their adamant attitude in opposition to drought, heat and insect pests. I have known the talkers, the talkers in the cold-eyed world, and frankly and vigorously oppose excommunicants in August and Palm Beach suits in February. In the way of constructive endeavor I have known not one, but many, to advocate at their personal expense, the right of the state to declare a legal holiday on the anniversary of the invention of the logarithm, in order that this event may be annually observed with all the emotion and warm, oriental feeling to which it is so justly entitled."

These are some facts to make us realize how far we have come since we

pened at the time to be the subject of considerable acrimonious debate. Is it any wonder the millennium is eluding us?"—Larmer (Kans.) Tiller and Toll.

CHOSEN

CHOSEN, Aug. 11—Christ Friedman has straightened up his house which was blown askew by the storm last month. It made Mr. and Mrs. Friedman feel blue to think that all of their clothing was ruined because their living room was spared.

Mrs. Isaac West and children are back from Sebring and Mr. West is wearing a smile since his new daughter has arrived home.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mather have returned here. He will again work with the Hills Engineering Company. They left about two weeks ago and went to Jacksonville.

Mr. Friedman, Mr. Ludlow, Mr. Stevens and the Kirchner boys all worked on the road south of Chosen.

F. H. Friedman, our real estate broker, made a trip to Fort Lauderdale and Miami Friday and Saturday.

We have had very little rain in this vicinity for the past two weeks and as soon as the dikes are repaired and the flood of the river will dry up quickly and there will be lots of farming at this point.

The boat Queen of the Lake is to come into our port and make the run to Clewiston from here several times a week.

The Stein new house is nearing completion and looking up. It is the largest house in this vicinity. Within the next six months we shall see several new buildings at Chosen.

Mr. and Mrs. Cowen from Miami were here Sunday taking in the sights since the storm. They furnished the seed potatoes for the Hart Farms last season and their experience in cropping in the Glades, and they seem to be taken with the country.

F. W. Kirchmann made a business trip to West Palm Beach Monday. Morris Brothers were callers at West Palm Beach Tuesday.

Jimmie Brooker, who is spending the summer in the northern part of the state, was on our streets a few days this week on vacation.

PEOPLE WE KNOW

Frank Colson, captain of the Clewiston Company's boat Queen of the Lake, is visiting at Lake Butler, Fla., where his father lives. The Queen is laid up in the canal. I saw him a short time ago and he is doing well with his son, a one-man control. When he returns from his vacation Mr. Colson will have a job with the Clewiston Company in another capacity.

E. R. Graham, manager of the Pennsylvania Sugar Company plantation, returned last week from a business visit to Philadelphia and left about a week ago for Michigan, a three-weeks vacation. His family will remain in Michigan until the latter part of October.

OUR SUBSCRIBERS

Miss Ruby Lowe writes from Sanford and directs that the paper be sent to her hereafter at 401 Celery avenue, that city.

J. A. Sesee has changed his address from Denton, Md., to Spring City, Pa. George W. and Mrs. Bert Chessen in June, are now living at Spring City, Fla. Having gone there from Holly Hill. He writes: "We expect to be at Spring Garden the rest of the year."

W. H. Hughes, a civil engineer now at Tarpon Springs, Fla., writes that he expects to move soon to land near Rita he bought a month ago.

Elmer Walrath, an old Everglader, has returned to Florida from Chicago. His permanent address is P. O. Box 3622, Fort Lauderdale.

A letter from H. A. Marks, agricultural statistician, directing that his address be changed from Gainesville to Orlando indicates that the office has been moved to the more central location.

W. C. Fullen, once a resident of Okeezelant, has moved from Yuma, Ariz., to Glendale, Cal. His wife writes from Glendale: "We have plenty of interest yet in the Everglades and have not lost all hope of it being made practicable for settlement."

LAND TITLE SUIT

ANOTHER suit for land in erectment was instituted yesterday in the United States district court here by the Florida State Drainage Company, a Colorado corporation, against the Clewiston Company involving certain lands in Hendry County.

Pahokee, June 2, 1925.

We want a hard surface road from Canal Point to Bacom Point right away.

A. KALTENBRUNER.

FOR SALE—Six acres muck land and lot on Commer's Highway about one mile north of Canal Point. Price of all, \$2,400; cash \$400, balance easy.

Emile Cotton, Box 317, South Miami, Fla. 232

Enroll now for fall term beginning August 30.

Bookkeeping, Shorthand, Typewriting, Penmanship, English, Commercial Arithmetic, Commercial Law and Teachers' Training Course.

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BANK OF CANAL POINT

F. E. Bryant, President
J. R. Poland, Vice President

W. R. Bonham, Cashier
R. L. Gunn, Asst. Cashier

CANAL POINT

R. L. Gunn spent the week end in Lake Worth and West Palm Beach.

C. B. Davis, manager of the lumber yard, has returned from a vacation in North Carolina.

E. W. Simmons and John Weissen made a trip up to Orlando, going Saturday and returning Monday.

O. P. Griffin and family returned the latter part of last week from Thomasville, Ga., where they visited during a vacation stay.

Pat Carroll has returned to Canal Point. He has been at Jupiter working with a crew John S. Gray was clearing right of way for new Dixie Highway.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Brigham were down from Okeechobee Sunday. He opened his restaurant there this week. It is located two doors west of the Western Union Telegraph Company office.

J. R. Sofield, Jr., has returned from West Palm Beach. He has an 18-acre farm about a mile north of town and has begun preparations for a fall crop. His farm is equipped with an auxiliary pumping plant.

A lawn mower was sent Saturday from West Palm Beach by F. H. Whitehead for a seed company. L. W. Hubbard reported the fact and said that wins a prize of great value—a six months extension of subscription.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Pope returned the first of the week from a two-weeks vacation at Glenwood, Ga. They met Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams while there. Mr. and Mrs. Pope's business isn't as good there as it is here. Canal Point but the residents say it is normal. His grandmother's 98th birthday was celebrated during their visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Santee returned Monday from a long stay in Oklahoma City. They drove through from Okla-homa City an even longer time required for the round trip. When they left here in the spring they went to Indianapolis, Ind., and from there

went to Oklahoma. Claud says the Oklahoma where they were a record breaker, Beaver County, averaging 60 bushels. The price was \$1.25 a bushel. The cotton crops he saw en route were good.

Ed Jordan brought his barge and tug in Tuesday night to get C. Eugene Smith, manager of the Kilkenny Beach house, went to Moore Haven during a leave of absence from the seed store, he found it desirable to give more attention to the Wainwright Chain Store Auto Sales Company, in which he has an interest. His leave of absence from the seed company has been extended and he will look after the automobile agency and repair shop for an indefinite time. Meanwhile he has moved back to Moore Haven. There he is manager of the Kilkenny Company's seed house until he was transferred here to open the East Beach branch.

MEAT MARKET

H. J. Strickland of Okeechobee takes over the meat market in W. J. Larimore's/Canal Point store. He will carry Florida and western meats and a line of fresh fruits and vegetables.

DAUGHTRY-JOHNSON

J. L. Daughtry, station agent for the State Farm Casualty Company, and Miss Mae Johnson were married Saturday evening at the Methodist church in Okeechobee by Rev. Crosson. They are living in the neat stucco bungalow on Paehokee road which Mrs. Daughtry has just completed. He was the agent for the Okeechobee until a few months ago. The bride formerly lived at Birmingham, Ala.

THE FRENCH SHOPPE

CANAL POINT

Just arrived a new shipment of beautiful,
GEORGETTE AND CREPE DE CHINE
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A new line of guaranteed hosiery for the Ladies and Gents

A wonderful line of hats for the Gents.
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In striking colors, priced at from \$3.50 to \$10

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RAINCOATS

The price—\$8.50 to \$10.50—is less than their value

O.P. Griffin

CANAL POINT

TRACY WALKED OFF

As was expected, Joe Tracy walked off from his "guards" when he got ready to. He quit his escort at St. Cloud and the officers have not found him. He spent most of his time investigating the scene at Holopaw. The state investigator who interviewed Tracy said in his final report that Tracy had said he left with Ray Shackford part of the bonds they were supposed to be looking for. When this was reported to him Mr. Shackford just laughed.

STORE AND BAKERY

Mr. and Mrs. John Weissen, formerly of Orlando, have been engaged to manage a place of business at the lock for E. W. Simmons, where they will have a grocery stock and also sell home-made bakery products. The filling station and cold drink stand will remain part of the business.

M. E. CHURCH NOTES

Regular church services—Sunday school, 10 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; evening service, 8 p. m.; prayer meeting, Wednesday 8 to 8:30 p. m. The regular monthly meeting of the Ladies Aid Society was held at the church on Tuesday. Mrs. W. R. Bonham was president. The committee to committe to receive clothing for the Christmas box to be sent to the Orphans Home at Jacksonville.

"It was decided to hold a food and ice cream sale Saturday afternoon of the day of our post office building. Come, buy your cake, salad and doughnuts for \$1.00. Candy will be so for sale; all home made.

THE TOWN GROUCH

"I see by the papers," said the Town Grouch, who had moved his location to a new bridge railing, "that the Greater West Palm Beach Chamber of Commerce and all more down on the east coast are all excited from having found out that the hurricane tore out some of the road along the ocean here. There was a darn bad hurricane, it tore the tar paper off my roof and drowned my bed. But I think this just about ended the rainy season and I ain't a going to go no hurry about fixing the roof; I got a better picking season to fix it—the rainy season never starts again until just when my tomatoes are ready to be picked. My ole woman is after me to fix that roof but I got the ruminic and can't climb around like that. Durned hot too up there where the roof is under you stid of over you."

"Funny to me those fellers in West Palm Beach is so anxious to have a Greater West Palm Beach; I'd think they'd want a greater West Palm Beach, but guess they know what they want. They's smart, that is."

"That boat seen her way, I thought what to do. If the ole woman fixed that roof like she said was she going to have time to make another one? I told her to go to the paper that a firm in West Palm Beach going to have plants to sell. Cause me and all was in the Bank of Okeechobee that failed except what was in the Bank of Moore Haven and it failed too in kind of short of cash and I guess they'll sell me some plants on credit."

"I'm for them fellers that want the road on the ocean rebuilt right now. Yes, sir, I'm for it. I think it oughter like this here road we got here at Canal Point—a toll road."

AGAIN LAY RAILS

Continued from Page One

Getters the heavy locomotive being on the sand solid grade ahead. The flatcars have automotive dumping devices; when the sand has been dumped alongside the track, gangs of colored laborers put the sand under the ties, raising the track to the grade determined for it.

When the quantity of sand deposited on the soft mud is estimated to be sufficient for that temporary purpose, the sand train on its next trip goes before the hand cars have been supported by the sand itself. Then the locomotive and the loaded cars bearing on the track press it down; that makes need for more sand fill, sometimes to a depth of five feet.

The equipment used is a rail-laying machine, the use of which is hard and raft do not have to be handled by the labor gangs, but the time required to make the roadbed ready for the rails has not allowed as much use of it as will be made further on.

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H. J. TESH

ON PAHOKEE ROAD

Several trestles have been built for the track to cross drainage ditches in Pahokee sub-district. When rails have been laid on the grade and while the earth is laying waste on bridge building, the trains bring loads of sand and the crews continue raising the track. Actually the work feels it's way along.

Sand for the mud fill is obtained from pits made two miles north of St. Lucie canal in the flatwoods, on land owned by the Southern States Land and Timber Company when right of way through the property of the company was arranged for. The pits are on the east side of the permanent main line railroad.

Two machines are used at the pits—one a Bucyrus 30-B dragline excavator which digs the sand and makes a pile paralleling a sideroad, the other a Marion steam shovel which shovels the sand into the piles, then strains a string on the sideroad. Sand dug by the dragline is allowed to stand until water has run out of it. The dragline has caterpillar mounting; the steam shovel is mounted on a car with steel wheels which rest on a steel nosed track.

The sand pit two miles north of St. Lucie canal and St. Lucie canal nine miles north of Canal Point, the total distance of haul is about 15 miles, for the railroad station is a mile south of Canal Point and the track has been advanced to a point three miles beyond the station.

Banking Department, State of Florida, office of comptroller, Tallahassee, No. 152.

Whereas, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned it has been made to appear that a banking company under the name of Bank of Canal Point, located at Canal Point, operated under the laws of the State of Florida, has complied with all the provisions required to be complied with by the Banking Laws of the State of Florida before a company shall be authorized to commence the business of banking under the laws of the State of Florida;

Now, Therefore, I, Ernest Amos, Comptroller of the State of Florida, by virtue of the authority vested in me by Section 4131 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, certify that the Bank of Canal Point, located at Canal Point in the county of Palm Beach, and the State of Florida is authorized to commence the business of banking under the laws of the State of Florida;

Given under my hand and seal of this twenty sixth day of July, A. D. One Thousand Nine Hundred Twenty-Six.

Ernest Amos,

(SEAL) Comptroller State of Florida.

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Isn't it the truth that a lot of good Florida cities are overbuilt for the time being?—that there will have to be a pause until population catches up? There are a lot of townsites and subdivisions where although the propositions are fundamentally sound, it will be years before there is any increase in their values? All along the east coast there are places, one about the same as another, where the saturation point has been reached.

But it isn't that way on the shores of Lake Okeechobee; it isn't that way in the custard apple belt and the high temperature zone where production of vegetables starts in November and runs through to June, where hundreds of dollars come in. There is no saturation here, no pause, no waits. Canal Point has just started growing.

Canal Point is short of all kinds of buildings, it has been short of them for a good while; the shortage and the need are greater now that the railroad is in, and the opportunity is glowing because thousands of acres of new land are just now made fit for the most profitable cultivation.

If you know Florida you know that what is said here is true. If you doubt what is said here you ought to investigate. If you disbelieve what is said here you are in danger of absolute loss.

The growth of all of the towns in the Lake Okeechobee region helps Canal Point.

Thousands of investors will be coming into the Lake Okeechobee region this winter, coming on the F. E. C. Railway Company's extension from Okeechobee and on the hard-surfaced roads that will be completed by the first of the year, and, as usual, on boats across Lake Okeechobee.

This is the first winter Canal Point has had anything to offer the visitors. Make hay while the sun shines; investigate Canal Point ahead of the others, be in shape to take sure profits.

AUGUST 18, 1926

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Through South Florida

OKEECHOBEE

(Compiled from The News.)
Mr. and Mrs. Scottie Robinson have returned from a visit to Atlanta.

W. L. Gary of Ozark, Ala., was in Okeechobee Saturday.

Rev. and Mrs. T. M. Lee have gone on a vacation in North Carolina. They will stop at Waycross and visit his relatives and at Lincolnland and visit her's.

E. W. Boles of the Okeechobee Company is spending his vacation at Miami and his old home.

J. R. O'Donnell, an employee of the Seaboard, was married at Dothan, Ala., to Miss Virginia Rabb of that place. He is formerly from Bainbridge, Ga.

The New York six baseball boys between July 22 and August 2.

The Pan-American Oil Company has established a wholesale station here with J. Denham Bird as manager.

Contract has been awarded to C. F. Williams for dredging drainage ditches along several streets. Streets in the negro section will be graded by C. A. Stigd. Erection of a 250,000-gallon tank on the south line of the city near Parrot Avenue has been authorized.

Dr. Phillips, buyer of citrus fruits, is erecting a packing house. The crop is estimated at 100,000 boxes.

SOUTH FLORIDA

Miles Royce-Garrett of Miami, called Bannister in stories of his life outside, has been ordered by Sheriff Chase to get out of the county. He posed as a combination English-Russian aristocrat until his wife committed suicide by jumping from high building.

A new hotel has been opened at Little River, the first bank having failed. Bert Teed, who was with a West Palm Beach bank for several years and was an officer of the failed bank, is a vice-president of the new one.

Two men, described as "sharks," were killed in south Dade county, by a raiding party of federal prohibition enforcement officers. The raiders say they killed in self defense but they probably will be charged with murder.

Dade county, which is to be merged with Miami and Key West will be completed by the first of January, according to Hobart Crabtree, county engineer. Toll will be charged on bridges erected in the new county, particularly the highway.

1,420 car loads of oranges, grapefruit and tangerines were shipped from Lee county in the 1925-26 season. The Lee County Packing Company handled 767 cars of this total. D. H. Lamons, the president, says all but 10 cars were sold f. o. b.

Walls of the \$40,000 city hall at Okeechobee are going up and concrete is being poured for the court house. Permits for these buildings were taken two weeks ago; permits issued in July for small buildings cost for a total estimated cost of \$51,000.

MOORE HAVEN

(Compiled from The Democrat.)
Erect Steel and Captain Phillips are preparing the west coast, on a short vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Randall have returned from a trip to Kentucky and Georgia.

The moving picture show moved this week to its new location.

Tom McFetridge is reported to be preparing to plant 200 acres of beans. The seed are expected this week.

R. C. Ryan, owner of the ice plant, died Thursday of heart disease.

John Joseph Sestini, 21, has bought the Gates dwelling house now occupied by Rev. W. H. Edwards.

Plans for the reorganization of the Bank of Moore Haven were discussed at a meeting August 5.

The county Chamber of Commerce gave a picnic on the lake from near Lakeport Thursday.

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THE EVERGLADES NEWS, CANAL POINT, FLORIDA

MORE ROADS IN MIDDLE GLADES

C. A. WALSH THINKS LAKE MAY BE ROAD CENTER OF WHOLE STATE

Wacico Groves, Davis, Fla.,
August 3, 1926.

My dear Mr. Sharp:
I am just reading your editorial of July 30th, headed "Best State Road Route." In connection with that you say therein as to the extension of this road to Miami over toll road route along Miami canal bank I call your attention to the following:

First. You know that I have always held the view that a great wide and permanently built highway entirely around Lake Okeechobee is in the future to become inevitably the center of the whole highway system of the state of Florida. A study of the road and a knowledge in general of conditions as to agricultural development and the upbuilding of important city centers of the whole state indicates to me that nothing in the end will prevent Lake Okeechobee becoming the real road center of the state.

Second. I am glad in the absence of public highway building in that section that men can be found willing to build and maintain roads for compensation, especially to that portion of it within Palm Beach county. I am refraining from saying anything further as to additional roads, but will do so in the future.

Third. Knowing the intense interest in all these matters pertaining to the Everglades development as an entity, and especially to that portion of it within Palm Beach county, I am refraining from saying anything further as to additional roads, but will do so in the future.

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Sixth. The road as last surveyed the road from the south line to the South New River canal, and that section is to be constructed soon, I am told.

Broward county is also now engaged in building a fine asphalt and asphaltum top road along the south line of the North New River canal to the Broward county north line; and much of this highway is already provided for while it is hoped that Palm Beach county will then complete that road to the south Broward county line, although probably it would have to be widened and improved to make it a part of such a road as that of which I am speaking.

Seventh. The road completed would Miami's shortest and best due north line from the Bay Biscayne front to South Bay of Lake Okeechobee. It will pass through the center of the great agricultural area of Dade and Broward local drainage districts, many of which are already in) of some 250,000 acres of muck lands, this being known as the "Fort Lauderdale-Miami Area."

To complete this highway Broward county would have to authorize the three-mile extension from the South to the North canal, where it joins the Dade and Broward canals, which are already provided for and being built through Broward county along the North canal, and its completion along the same canal through Palm Beach county.

If you will refresh your mind by taking down your map and tracing this route I believe you will come to the same conclusion as have I, that is, that is not only a most important road route generally for all the three counties and for the whole state, but that from an agricultural point of view it is more important to Palm Beach county than to either of the other two counties. I know you will consider the splendid quality of all this Palm Beach county soil tributary to this road, but you will also note that the roads, East Coast road extension with its start at Okeechobee or nearby, will be the natural shipping point for not only all the Palm Beach county lands involved but for much of that of northern Broward county.

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REPORT OF LAKE AND CANAL LEVELS WEEK ENDING JULY 31, 1926.

	Cabosa, No. 1	N. N. R. No. 1	St. Lucie, No. 1	Palm Beach 1, No. 1	Palm Beach 2, No. 2	N. N. R. No. 4	Cabosa, No. 1	N. N. R. No. 4	Palm Beach 1, No. 1	Palm Beach 2, No. 2	N. N. R. No. 4
Sunday	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175
July 25	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175	175
Lower Pool	164	164	164	164	164	164	164	164	164	164	164
Monday	179	179	179	179	179	179	179	179	179	179	179
Tuesday	164	177	163	157	151	168	25	25	25	25	25
Wednesday	185	215	220	196	175	163	22	22	22	22	22
July 27	167	174	220	174	176	165	25	25	25	25	25
Thursday	175	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174
Friday	176	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174
July 29	163	174	168	173	169	168	35	35	35	35	35
Lower Pool	176	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174
Saturday	176	174	175	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174
July 31	167	174	169	174	168	169	30	30	30	30	30
Lower Pool	175	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174	174

proceed either easterly or westerly around your lake to any point in the state by the shortest lines. I am under the impression that the distance from the head of the Tamiami Trail to Fort Myers, and when your travelers get there, they are still farther away from Tamiami and the northwestern and central Florida points than they are after traveling back north to Miami.

In addition, the Palm Beach-Hialeah road progresses through a much better agricultural territory, and one in which the drainage problems are much nearer solved than along the Tamiami Trail.

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certificate in the name of Unknown. Under said certificate shall be redeemed the amount of the sum paid by the holder thereon on the 20th day of September, A. D. 1926.

Witness my official signature and seal the 6th day of August, A. D. 1926.

(Seal) Fred E. Fenn, Clerk Circuit Court Palm Beach.

Last publication Sept. 17th, 1926.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR
Under Section 777 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida.

This is hereby given that J. Mulligan, owner of Tax Certificate No. 4009, dated July 1, 1926, A. D. 1923, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for a tax deed in accordance with law.

Notice is hereby given that the following described property, situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, in the town of Lake Wales, section 24, town 24, south range 42 east, 5 acres.

That the said land is being assessed according to law, and that the tax deed will issue thereon on the 20th day of September, A. D. 1926.

Witness my official signature and seal this the 6th day of August, A. D. 1926.

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Weather report for week ending August 7, 1926.

Date High Low Rainfall
1 91 71 0.00 0.218
2 89 73 0.00 0.20
3 91 74 0.00 0.248
4 93 72 0.00 0.251
5 93 72 0.00 0.269
6 94 72 0.00 0.13
7 94 72 0.00 0.17

Average 91 73 Total 0.33

FRED A. FLANDERS,
Clewiston, Florida.

Temperature, rainfall and evaporation for the week ending Saturday, August 7, 1926.

Date High Low Rainfall
1 91 71 0.00 0.218
2 89 74 0.00 0.20
3 93 76 0.00 0.00
4 91 80 0.00 0.00
5 92 72 0.00 0.00
6 93 71 0.00 0.46
7 93 75 0.00 0.02

Total precipitation for week 0.55

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Under Section 777 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida.

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WORLD'S RICHEST FARM LANDS

Written for the August Miamiian
Vance W. Helm, Miami, Florida.

When asked to write an article upon this most entrancing subject, I hesitated, first because so many articles have already been written and so much has been said that would seem superfluous to add my bit, except from the fact that I realize as does everyone who has given any study to the matter, that not one-half has ever been told of this wonderful "back country." It seems better to let the reader use his own mind to visualize the situation, when we sit down and commence to think and compute in figures the wealth that lies just at our back door, simply beckoning us to come and scratch the surface, sometimes feel we must be dreaming.

How can it be possible that the hundred and ten millions of people in these United States have hesitated and held back from this rich empire of uncultivated and accessible lands? The answer is, it's lack of knowledge and a lack of means of transportation, the expense and control, its vast acreage!

Only the outside has been touched with the plow—a shallow rim around the lake and a few points on the edge—not enough to stimulate the imagination.

To begin with, the Everglades proper comprises over two million acres of land, not land in the sense the public knows and understands it, but a new kind of land, unknown to elsewhere, and nowhere of as great value. Its richness and potential content is in its great outstripping, almost level prairie of pure peat—brown fibrous peat—as designated by the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

There are peat beds in Holland, in Scotland, in Mexico, in Ireland, in other places, formed mostly from decaying trees and other vegetable matter, but this wonderful Everglade land is for the most part made up from one single vegetable plant—sawgrass—just as the name implies. This is the land as far as I am in here is full of sharp fine "saw-teeth," such as to defy the onslaught, unprotected of man or beast. This sawgrass, with its long slender blades, grows from two feet to ten feet in height, finds its way to the ocean, forms forth fields, to dry down, decompose, and rot, forming the basis of the soil and which is so porous, so light and so easily cultivated that vegetation of every kind springs right up from its bosom and an incredible shaft space of soil is obtained, and pure, earthy product of every kind and description that can be grown in any other climate.

These sawgrass areas are supplemented along Lake Okeechobee with a great growth of light-colored soil, as the cactus, spider, then another and known as the *etherberry*, and "moss vine" belt; all profuse makers of soil and each of abundant richness; but as said before, sawgrass is the basic generally speaking in the Everglades.

This is great expanse of country lying west of Miami and south of Lake Okeechobee is practically a level plain, therefore hard to drain and susceptible to an almost constant thin covering of raw water or overflow from the lakes, streams and lake beds about 20 feet above sea level and within a distance of from forty to eighty miles gradually falling to sea level at the Atlantic coast—in other words, the decline is so slight you might as well call the Everglades a "lowland" and then a slight elevation here and there, mostly covered by bushes or trees and known as islands or hammocks.

Then again, another most wonderful fact that is practically unknown, is that the Everglades is underlaid with a limestone rock formation supporting this ever-increasing built-up peat soil, and giving to it the wonderful sweetening value that can only be given to soil by one thing—lime.

A natural wonder asset is the fact that moisture is readily retained in this peat soil and with the cool limestone rock underneath, the temperature of the Everglades soil is from ten to twelve degrees cooler than other soils and the warmth of the sun, co-operates to produce what no country on earth can equal—the richest and most fertile and lasting area of agricultural land in the world. The right at the back door of Miami—the Magic City, you can talk about the "Valley of the Nile," the "Delta of the Mississippi," the "rich lands of Holland," or elsewhere, but none can in any way approach the wonderful back country of Miami.

But how soon and in what way is this veritable gold mine of wealth to be worked? Very simple now, but it has taken many minds and thousands of dollars to reach the point which at last is logical and final.

First of all, there must be built into this vast area a system of good hard surfaced roads, then canals with ever diverging laterals, the soil being thrown up so as to form dykes, to be used for drainage, and pumps of adequate size to the area controlled, to pump off the rain water when necessary or to pump into the canals or ditches, water needed in dry or arid seasons.

Work is accomplished, whether the area now water controlled is one section (640 acres), or any larger sized body, their cultivation of the soil is easy. The bushes of sawgrass yield easily to the march of the caterpillar tractor, and the light (high brownish-black colored) soil is turned over and pulverized and is ready for the

seed. Of course, all new land is better for all purposes after a season or two of rest, but the use of leguminous crops, as the turnip under the residue serves to mix the new with the old, forming a balanced mass, easily to rot and become uniform and lasting.

My thousands of acres of this vast land has already been sold, mostly in 5 and 10 acres tracts, none of which, roughly speaking is now in cultivation, but as soon as such tracts are reached with roads and dykes and canals, each and every 5 and 10 acre plot is capable of supporting a family and if wisely cultivated and diversified will yield handsome profit to its owner. The ideal size of acreage suitable for general farming in the Everglades would seem to be from 20 to 80 acres, the tract should be more readily adaptable to intensive cultivation and fruit raising, but the larger ones being more readily adaptable to general farming and sufficient for a small dairy herd of cows, some pigs and poultry, several acres of hay and silage, a few fruit trees of various kinds, a few fruit trees and berries, etc., with such a variety and upon such a tract, crops equaling in extent and value to land in other states of ten times the area, can be grown practically all the year round, a circumstance here is such that thriving green crops can be grown and marketed during every single month of the year—think of it!

Many articles have been written and there has been much advertising to the effect that the Everglades is the best to be grown upon the sandy uplands "back country." This is not entirely true, as fine and delicious oranges, grapefruit, avocados and mangoes are now being grown in the Everglades, right next to the orange and grapefruit country around Davie, Hollywood, of bark, of Hollywood, are rich with their juicy fruit and which is highly marketed at prices nearly double those at other seasons obtained for regular citrus crops which in other parts of Florida has disappeared.

A new highway is being planned in the Everglades—a trunk or superhighway which will start from Miami and extend northwardly along the coast direction to Naples, Fort Myers, Lake Okeechobee, and afterwards ride on to Tampa, which will open up and allow the development of these rich Everglades lands. I am informed that among the plans of the projectors of this highway is to connect the industrial city of some thousand acres, which will be located about fifteen miles from Miami, and near the canal, with highway, water and rail connections. The plan being to provide in this industrial city all the facilities for employees thereto, in culture of farms along the highway, also to provide warehouses, cold storage and shipping facilities together with canning factories, poultry dressing plants, etc. In fact every kind of factory necessary to take care of the crops produced in the "back country" and along the highway and canal.

As the highway is built, several cities or centers will be provided about every ten miles, so that farmers can, if desired, sell in them, enjoy the comforts, sources, stores, theaters, motion picture houses and jump into their "Fords" and look after their cultivation by day, and have the privilege of social intercourse in the evening, along the highway and canal.

Miami can well afford now to turn her attention to the quick development of this rich back country and it behoves the Chamber of Commerce—always the leader in Miami's development, to assist in the building of this great highway, in the developing and water control of this vast and intensely fertile and inviting land area, not possessed by any other in all the whole world.

Having lived and farmed in the Glades for five years I know whereof I speak. Get in touch with me before buying your acre—I will treat you square. P. H. Friedman, Licensed Broker, Chosen, Fla.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR TAX DEED

Under Section 777 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida.

Notice is hereby given that Jas. Mulligan, purchaser of Tax Certificate No. 206, dated the 6th day of September A. D. 1920, has filed said certificate in my office and has made application for tax deed to issue in accordance with law. Said certificate embraces the following described property situated in Palm Beach County, Florida, to-wit: Lot 28 block 9 Town of Lake Worth as recorded in plat book 2 pp 29 to 40. The said land being assessed at the date of the issuance of such certificate in the name of F. J. Ochsner. Unless said certificate shall be redeemed according to law, tax deed will issue thereon on the 20th day of September, A. D. 1926.

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